

PRELIMINARY DATA SUMMARY

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U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station  
Coastal Engineering Research Center  
Field Research Facility  
Duck, North Carolina

## I. INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station, Coastal Engineering Research Center's (CERC) Field Research Facility (FRF) is located on the Outer Banks of North Carolina, near the village of Duck (Fig. 1).

The FRF research program provides a means for obtaining high-quality field data, particularly during storms, in support of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' coastal engineering research missions. The FRF consists of a 561-m (1,840 ft) long concrete research pier supported on 0.91 m (3 ft) diameter steel piles. The pier deck is 6.1 m (20 ft) wide, 7.74 m (25.4 ft) above mean sea level (MSL), and extends from behind the dunes to approximately the 7.6 m (25 ft) depth contour. In addition, a main building contains offices, an instrument repair shop, and a data acquisition room.

One of the responsibilities of the FRF research program is the collection, analysis, and dissemination of data on local oceanographic and meteorological conditions. Bottom profiles along both sides of the pier and periodic bathymetric surveys are also performed.

This summary is intended to provide basic data as soon as possible after they are obtained. Most of the data are daily observations or the results of preliminary data analysis. In many instances, continuous analog records and more extensive analyses will be made available later by the CERC Coastal Engineering Information and Analysis Center (CEIAC).

Table 1 is a list of instruments used, their status during the month, and the data collection status. Figure 2 identifies the location of the instruments. The water depth at the wave gages and current meters vary and may best be determined from the information contained in Figure 8. Other installation information is contained in Table 1. All times unless otherwise specified are referenced to Eastern Standard Time (EST).

Section II presents the meteorological data; Sections III through VI, oceanographic data; Section VII, nearshore profiles and bathymetry; and Section VIII, if included, documents special events that occurred at the FRF during the month.

Questions and/or comments concerning the data may be directed to Mr. H. Carl Miller at (919) 261-3511.

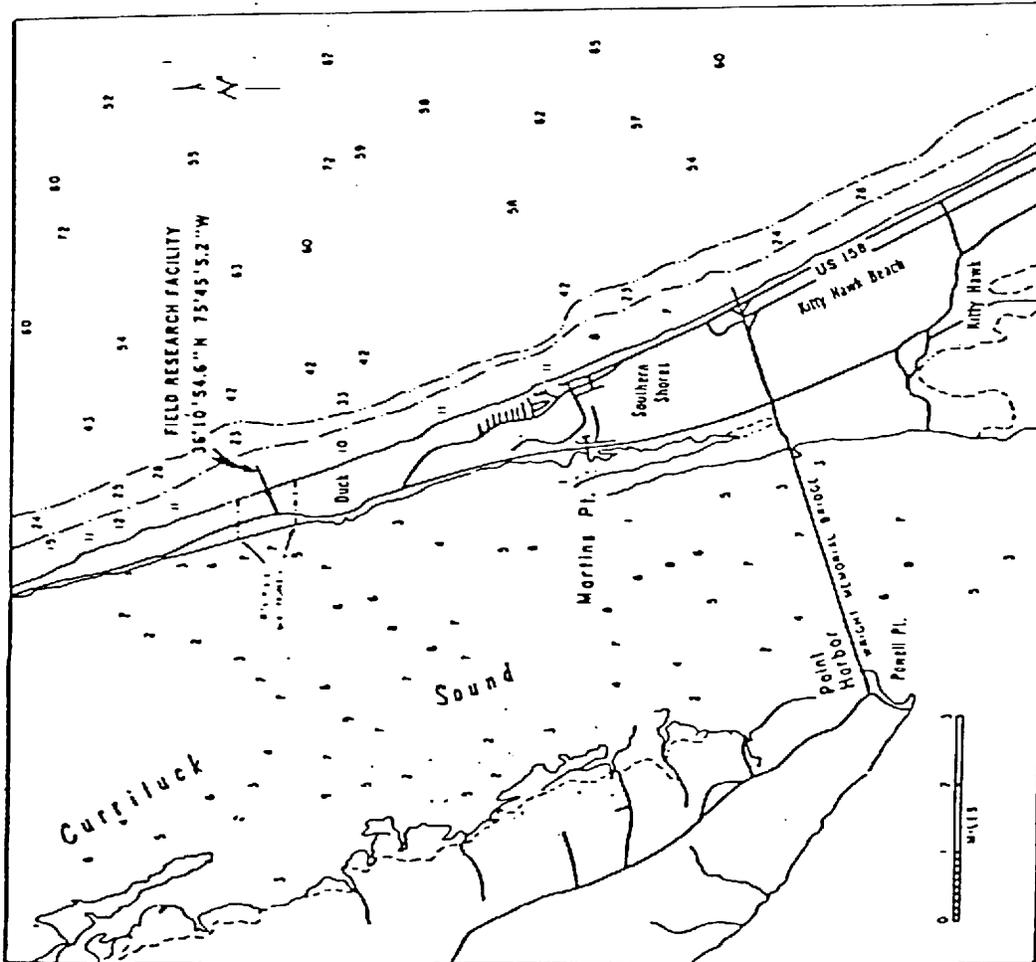
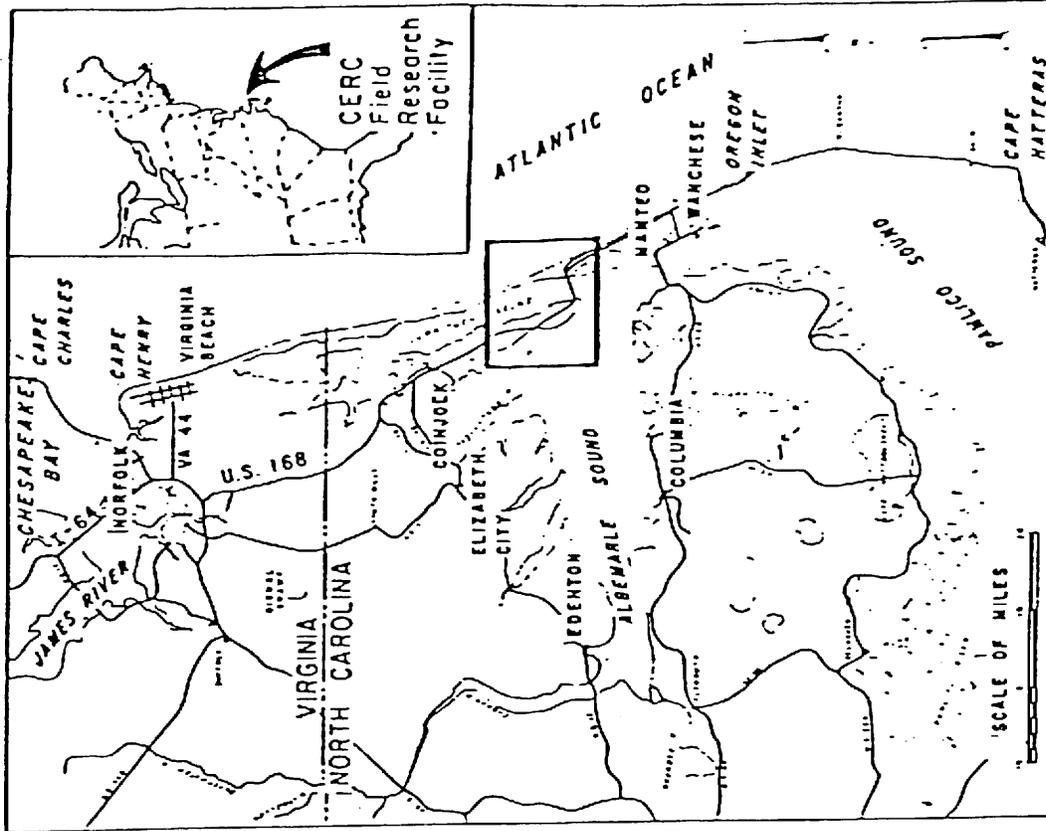


Figure 1 - FRF Location Map



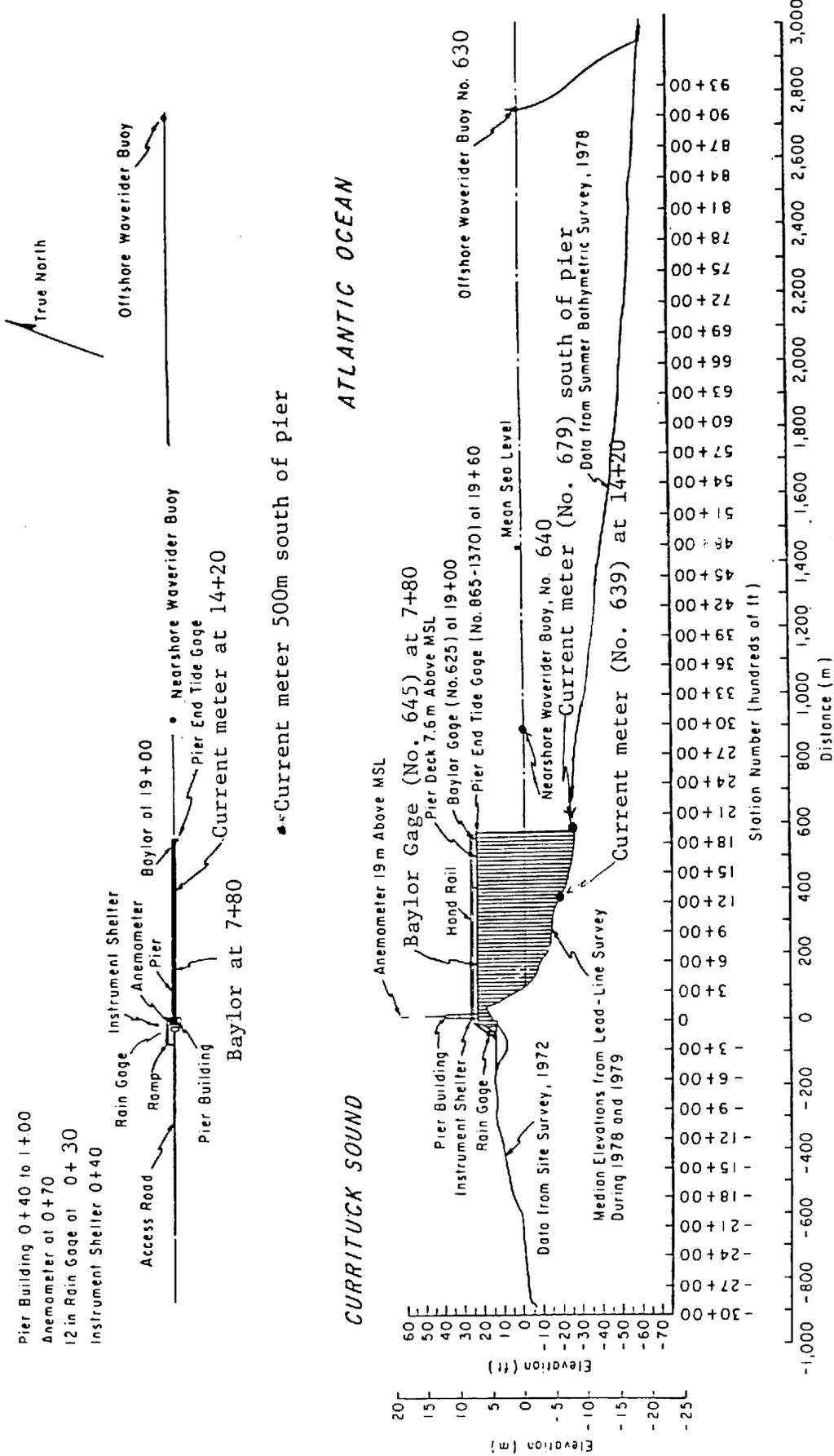


Figure 2. Instrument locations at FRF.

## II. METEOROLOGICAL DATA

A variety of instruments have been installed at the FRF (Fig. 2) to monitor the meteorological conditions. The data presented in Table 2 are collected and stored on magnetic tape using a Data General NOVA-4 computer. For each instrument identified in Table 1 as having analog outputs, chart records are obtained, a log is maintained and the records are stored for future reference.

The wind measurements are obtained from a Weather Measure Skyvane located on the FRF laboratory building (Fig. 2), 19.1 m above mean sea level (MSL).

The high and low temperatures are obtained from daily readings of NWS maximum and minimum thermometers and represent the extreme temperature values since the last reading.

The following may be useful for converting the data in Table 2 to other frequently used units of measurement:

1. Millimeters (mm) to inches (in) -  
 $\text{mm} \times .03937 = \text{in}$
2. Millibars (mb) to inches of mercury (in Hg) -  
 $\text{mb} \times 0.02953 = \text{in Hg}$
3. Degrees Celcius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) to degrees Fahrenheit ( $^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) -  
 $(^{\circ}\text{C} \times 9/5) + 32 = ^{\circ}\text{F}$
4. Meters per second (m/s) to knots (kn) -  
 $\text{m/s} \times 1.943 = \text{kn}$

TABLE 2: METEOROLOGICAL DATA

PART 1

MARCH 1985

DAY	WIND SPEED (M/S)	WIND DIRECTION (DEG TN)	TEMPERATURE (DEG C)	ATM PRESSURE (MB)	PRECIPITATION (MM)	
1	100	4	106	4.9	1025.0	0
	700	3	72	5.7	1023.4	0
	1300	2	60	7.7	1019.9	0
	1900	6	163	10.3	1013.5	8
2	100	3	250	9.7	1012.4	0
	700	6	255	8.0	1012.5	0
	1300	3	26	12.9	1014.0	0
	1900	1	151	8.2	1016.5	0
3	100	7	32	7.9	1020.3	0
	700	7	41	6.6	1023.7	0
	1300	8	40	7.3	1026.4	0
	1900	6	69	6.5	1026.2	0
4	100	5	60	7.0	1025.0	0
	700	1	137	7.8	1024.1	0
	1300	6	161	12.3	1022.3	0
	1900	6	191	15.8	1019.6	0
5	100	7	204	16.0	1016.1	0
	700	8	231	16.3	1014.3	0
	1300	7	258	18.0	1012.1	0
	1900	5	272	15.9	1013.1	0
6	100	13	31	7.1	1021.4	0
	700	13	22	3.9	1027.4	0
	1300	10	12	4.0	1031.2	0
	1900	9	51	3.3	1034.5	0
7	100	8	62	3.8	1036.7	0
	700	7	32	5.5	1037.8	0
	1300	6	45	7.5	1035.8	0
	1900	0		5.1	1031.5	0
8	100	4	192	9.3	1028.7	0
	700	7	239	11.9	1025.6	0
	1300	7	264	17.0	1021.6	0
	1900			1018.5	0	
9	100	Software crash				0
	700			1017.8	0	
	1300	2	34	10.4	1022.2	0
	1900	3	103	8.4	1020.9	0
10	100	3	56	8.1	1021.1	0
	700	2	7	7.7	1023.1	0
	1300	5	58	10.4	1023.1	0
	1900	3	127	8.4	1022.6	0
11	100	3	168	8.8	1023.0	0
	700	3	179	9.2	1023.0	0
	1300	2	120	12.1	1022.0	0
	1900	2	199	11.9	1017.1	0
12	100	9	225	16.1	1010.3	0
	700	12	221	17.3	1005.5	0
	1300	10	255	21.4	990.2	0
	1900	9	288	14.9	1009.1	0
13	100	7	286	11.3	1012.2	0
	700	7	303	9.6	1014.8	0
	1300	1	91	15.7	1015.5	0
	1900	4	182	12.0	1013.6	0
14	100	5	237	12.5	1012.7	0
	700	5	253	12.7	1011.4	0
	1300	4	27	12.1	1012.7	0
	1900	3	84	8.6	1013.4	0
15	100	1	0	10.3	1014.5	0
	700	5	356	8.7	1016.9	0
	1300	3	102	12.2	1018.0	5
	1900	3	78	8.6	1020.8	0
16	100	5	36	8.0	1023.2	0
	700	5	71	7.7	1025.8	0
	1300	4	87	8.9	1024.7	0
	1900	4	94	7.8	1019.5	0

TABLE 2: METEOROLOGICAL DATA

PART 2

MARCH 1985

DAY	HOOR	WIND SPEED (M/S)	WIND DIRECTION (DEG TN)	TEMPERATURE (DEG C)	ATM PRESSURE (MB)	PRECIPITATION (MM)
17	100	4	195	12.2	1013.9	0
	700	5	344	9.6	1008.5	0
	1300	3	317	13.1	1003.7	0
	1900	8	19	9.2	1005.2	0
18	100	11	27	6.7	1007.7	0
	700	10	347	2.6	1009.9	0
	1300	9	0	4.2	1012.5	0
	1900	7	352	4.1	1015.6	0
19	100	6	335	2.6	1020.2	0
	700	5	323	1.5	1023.5	0
	1300	0		5.9	1024.8	0
	1900	4	195	5.8	1022.8	0
20	100	8	245	7.0	1022.9	0
	700	9	249	7.5	1022.0	0
	1300	5	237	16.6	1019.6	0
	1900	7	223	12.8	1017.6	0
21	100	7	250	11.4	1018.7	0
	700	10	57	8.1	1022.9	0
	1300	11	53	7.2	1024.9	0
	1900	10	62	6.9	1024.3	0
22	100	12	63	7.4	1022.1	0
	700	12	73	8.5	1019.3	0
	1300	5	74	9.7	1015.6	10
	1900	7	79	10.0	1012.4	15
23	100	8	105	10.6	1007.7	5
	700	3	273	10.7	1007.0	0
	1300	7	286	10.0	1007.0	0
	1900	8	304	7.4	1009.0	0
24	100	6	326	6.8	1010.4	0
	700	2	312	6.5	1009.8	0
	1300	2	54	7.2	1007.5	0
	1900	8	5	6.6	1003.6	0
25	100	8	13	5.7	1011.4	0
	700	7	1	5.4	1015.0	0
	1300	10	19	5.7	1018.6	0
	1900	5	19	6.4	1021.1	0
26	100	3	323	4.8	1024.3	0
	700	8	21	5.8	1028.9	0
	1300	4	41	7.8	1029.7	6
	1900	4	297	6.8	1027.1	0
27	100	7	239	8.9	1025.7	0
	700	8	251	9.6	1023.8	0
	1300	5	245	18.4	1019.7	0
	1900	8	225	15.2	1015.7	0
28	100	9	250	14.2	1014.8	0
	700	8	254	13.8	1015.1	0
	1300	4	252	21.9	1013.2	0
	1900	7	221	17.8	1010.1	0
29	100	9	237	16.6	1010.7	0
	700	8	243	16.4	1010.9	0
	1300	7	262	24.6	1011.4	0
	1900	4	208	21.5	1010.3	0
30	100	5	217	18.1	1012.4	0
	700	9	255	18.5	1011.4	0
	1300	6	256	26.1	1011.4	0
	1900	8	42	9.3	1015.0	0
31	100	10	46	9.5	1015.3	0
	700	2	356	10.9	1015.2	0
	1300	3	275	19.2	1013.5	0
	1900	6	198	18.9	1008.4	0

### III. WAVE DATA

Wave data were collected from two Baylor staff gages (CERC gage nos. 625 and 645) and Waverider buoys (CERC gage nos. 630 and 640, Table 1 and Figure 2). The data were collected, analyzed, and stored on magnetic tape using a Data General NOVA-4 computer.

The NOVA-4 is programmed to sample the wave gages every 6 hours near 0100, 0700, 1300, and 1900 EST at a sampling rate of four times per second, collecting data in 20-minute records.

Wave height ( $H_{m0}$ ) is an energy-based statistic equal to four times the standard deviation of the sea surface elevations. The wave period is identified from the computation of a variance (energy) spectrum using a Fast Fourier Transform of 4096 data points (1024 sec). The period ( $T_p$ ) is that associated with the maximum energy density in the spectrum. When this analysis is complete, the data are written to magnetic tape and entered into the CERC data base.

Table 3 presents the wave heights and periods for each wave record obtained during the month. The monthly means shown in Table 3 are an average of the values computed for all data records collected. The monthly standard deviations are standard deviations from the monthly mean of values for each record.

Figure 3 is a time history of the  $H_{m0}$  and  $T_p$  values for the Waverider 6 km from shore (630) and the Baylor gage at pier station 19+00 (625).

Differences in wave periods between wave gages (Table 4 and Figure 3) may be due to wave breaking or reformation, or the presence of multiple wave trains containing nearly equal energy.

TABLE 3: WAVE DATA

PART 1

MARCH 1985

GAGE DAY	TIME	645		625		640		630	
		Baylor Hco(m)	at 7+80 T(sec)	Baylor Hco(m)	at 19+00 T(sec)	Nearshr Hco(m)	Wvrdr T(sec)	Farshr Hco(m)	Wvrdr T(sec)
1	1	.48	5.63	.73	6.87	.75	6.40	.85	6.40
	7	.44	5.31	.69	6.40	.67	9.75	.72	9.75
	13	.36	4.53	.60	8.06	.64	8.06	.67	7.42
	19	.83	5.31	.78	8.83	.74	7.42	.77	8.83
2	1	1.05	8.06	.97	8.06	1.12	8.06	1.49	8.06
	7	.79	5.02	.80	8.83	.90	8.06	.96	8.06
	13	.64	6.40	.68	8.83	.78	8.83	.95	8.83
	19	.38	8.06	.59	8.83	.64	8.06	.71	8.06
3	1	.45	8.06	.63	8.06	.68	8.06	.72	8.06
	7	.57	3.26	1.03	5.02	1.09	5.02	1.16	6.40
	13	.96	6.40	1.26	6.40	1.26	6.87	1.51	6.40
	19	.87	5.02	1.13	5.99	1.15	5.99	1.39	6.40
4	1	.63	5.99	.84	6.40	.89	5.99	1.01	5.99
	7	.51	5.63	.74	8.06	.74	8.06	.83	5.02
	13	.65	4.76	.78	8.83	.74	5.31	.82	5.31
	19	.93	5.31	.91	5.63	1.03	5.99	1.13	5.63
5	1	1.29	6.40	1.10	6.40	1.07	6.87	1.55	6.87
	7	.96	7.42	.81	7.42	.85	8.06	1.21	6.87
	13	.56	4.76	.60	7.42	.66	7.42	.88	7.42
	19	.51	6.87	.50	7.42	.57	6.87	.75	7.42
6	1	1.24	4.76	1.36	4.53	1.20	4.76	1.42	4.76
	7	1.48	6.87	1.87	7.42	1.93	7.42	2.14	7.42
	13	1.30	5.63	1.57	5.31	1.37	4.76	1.61	6.87
	19	.89	5.02	1.28	6.87	1.21	6.40	1.53	5.63
7	1	1.00	5.31	1.38	5.02	1.28	8.06	1.55	5.63
	7	.69	5.31	.95	6.40	1.00	8.06	1.11	4.76
	13			.99	8.06	.96	6.40	1.05	6.87
	19	.52	5.31	.86	8.06	.84	7.42	1.02	8.06
8	1	.38	4.32	.90	8.06	.77	8.83	.79	6.40
	7	.47	5.63	.64	8.83	.70	8.06	.88	8.06
	13	.30	4.76	.56	8.83	.51	8.06	.67	7.42
	19								
9	1	Software crash.							
	7								
	13	.37	4.53	.48	8.83	.45	9.75	.54	8.83
	19	.39	3.95	.65	5.31	.69	5.02	.77	9.75
10	1	.32	4.53	.47	9.75	.56	9.75	.62	9.75
	7	.36	9.75	.60	8.06	.61	10.89	.65	9.75
	13	.36	2.55	.57	7.42	.61	8.06	.57	8.83
	19	.33	4.13	.53	9.75	.55	8.83	.56	9.75
11	1	.20	9.75	.40	8.83	.42	10.89	.49	9.75
	7	.23	5.63	.39	8.83	.45	8.83		
	13	.24	9.75	.41	9.75	.42	9.75	.50	9.75
	19	.26	5.31	.40	8.83	.41	8.83	.52	8.83
12	1	.52	5.63	.61	5.31	.66	5.63	.80	5.31
	7	.88	8.06	.93	8.06	.87	7.42	1.35	8.06
	13	.47	7.42	.62	9.75	.67	8.83	.97	9.75
	19	.70	4.76	.80	4.76	.80	9.75	1.07	4.53
13	1	.34	8.83	.50	9.75	.55	8.83	.71	9.75
	7	.23	5.63	.42	10.89	.42	10.89	.55	10.89
	13	.23	16.79	.42	9.75	.43	8.83	.51	10.89
	19	.36	2.48	.48	9.75	.41	9.75	.46	10.89
14	1	.22	16.79	.33	9.75	.38	16.79	.40	10.89
	7	.23	14.22	.37	14.22	.36	9.75	.40	16.79
	13	.26	16.79	.38	16.79	.36	10.89	.40	14.22
	19	.34	16.79	.40	16.79	.43	16.79	.47	5.99
15	1	.30	16.79	.39	14.22	.40	14.22	.46	14.22
	7	.41	2.95	.49	14.22	.53	14.22	.57	16.79
	13	.21	14.22	.41	14.22	.40	14.22	.55	14.22
	19	.41	3.79	.53	14.22	.50	14.22	.80	3.95
16	1	.51	5.31	.59	5.02	.53	5.02	.85	5.31
	7	.45	3.79	.59	14.22	.53	5.02	.78	5.02
	13	.62	5.63	.84	5.99	.84	5.63	1.02	5.31
	19	.51	5.31	.72	5.99	.67	5.63	.83	6.40

\*=Electronic problems

TABLE 3: WAVE DATA

PART 2

MARCH 1985

GAGE DAY	TIME	645		625		640		630	
		Baylor Hmo(m)	at 7+80 T(sec)	Baylor Hmo(m)	at 19+00 T(sec)	Nearshr Hmo(m)	Wvrdr T(sec)	Farshr Hmo(m)	Wvrdr T(sec)
17	1	.42	5.99	.65	6.40	.68	6.40	.79	6.40
	7	.68	5.02	.83	6.40	.85	5.31	1.04	5.63
	13	.41	5.31	.50	5.99	.51	5.63	.58	5.99
	19	.42	4.13	.59	8.83	.62	8.83	.81	4.13
18	1	1.15	5.02	1.29	5.63	1.32	5.31	1.89	5.63
	7	1.31	6.87	1.62	5.99	1.53	6.87	2.21	5.99
	13	1.32	6.87	1.47	6.87	1.42	6.40	1.65	5.31
	19	1.04	6.40	1.30	6.40	1.40	6.40	1.59	6.40
19	1	1.24	6.87	1.42	6.87	1.37	6.87	1.70	5.63
	7	.98	6.87	1.28	7.42	1.31	6.87	1.61	6.87
	13	.93	6.87	1.22	6.87	1.09	9.75	1.23	6.40
	19	.63	10.89	1.13	9.75	1.28	9.75	1.33	9.75
20	1	.74	8.83	1.01	10.89	1.02	10.89	1.04	9.75
	7	.34	14.22	.82	12.34	.85	12.34	.87	10.89
	13	.45	12.34	.83	10.89	.72	10.89	.80	12.34
	19	.39	12.34	.73	12.34	.83	12.34	.93	10.89
21	1	.37	14.22	.80	14.22	.73	14.22	.71	12.34
	7	.70	3.38	.93	12.34	1.00	3.38	.95	12.34
	13	1.36	6.40	1.79	6.87	1.77	6.87	1.84	6.87
	19	1.13	5.99	1.55	6.87	1.59	6.40	1.83	6.87
22	1	1.27	5.99	1.68	5.63	1.60	6.40	1.78	5.99
	7	1.26	6.40	1.69	5.99	1.76	6.40	1.93	6.40
	13	1.26	8.06	2.18	7.42	2.22	8.06	2.39	7.42
	19	1.41	8.83	1.87	8.06	1.92	8.83	2.33	8.06
23	1	1.18	9.75	2.78	8.83	2.98	9.75	3.23	9.75
	7	1.51	9.75	1.92	9.75	2.14	9.75	2.04	9.75
	13	1.05	9.75	1.19	8.83	1.22	9.75	1.34	9.75
	19	.72	7.42	1.03	9.75	1.10	8.83	1.42	8.83
24	1	.69	9.75	.96	9.75	1.05	10.89	1.32	9.75
	7	.60	8.83	.93	9.75	1.03	6.87	1.25	9.75
	13	.52	8.06	.99	8.06	.94	8.06	1.05	8.06
	19	.61	8.83	1.05	8.06	1.10	8.83	1.11	8.83
25	1	.82	5.99	1.36	8.06	1.33	9.75	1.70	6.87
	7	.85	8.83	1.50	8.83	1.46	8.06	1.47	6.40
	13	.99	10.89	1.68	9.75	1.67	9.75	1.58	10.89
	19	.80	12.34	1.55	8.06	1.54	8.83	1.56	9.75
26	1	.75	12.34	1.36	12.34	1.33	10.89	1.36	10.89
	7	.97	8.83	1.66	9.75	1.71	8.83	1.71	8.06
	13	.93	9.75	1.44	10.89	1.32	10.89	1.44	7.42
	19	.55	10.89	1.16	9.75	1.18	8.83	1.24	8.83
27	1	.37	8.83	.80	8.83	.87	9.75	.93	9.75
	7	.31	14.22	.57	9.75	.58	9.75	.65	9.75
	13	.23	9.75	.39	8.83	.46	9.75	.43	8.06
	19	.37	4.53	.45	14.22	.41	10.89	.73	3.15
28	1	.19	14.22	.25	14.22	.27	14.22	.49	2.24
	7	.21	14.22	.29	14.22	.25	14.22	.45	14.22
	13	.23	5.63	.29	12.34	.30	10.89	.42	14.22
	19	.36	2.69	.40	2.69	.40	10.89	.66	5.02
29	1	.30	6.40	.32	6.40	.32	8.06	.55	6.87
	7	.29	8.06	.33	8.83	.32	8.06	.53	7.42
	13	.23	8.06	.30	8.06	.32	8.83	.44	6.40
	19	.23	8.06	.26	12.34	.25	12.34	.35	6.87
30	1	.24	7.42	.29	8.83	.28	12.34	.42	8.06
	7	.35	6.40	.35	8.06	.34	7.42	.53	7.42
	13	.29	8.83	.32	8.83	.35	8.83	.43	6.87
	19	.84	4.53	.92	4.53	.93	4.53	1.01	4.53
31	1	.94	5.31	1.24	5.63	1.24	5.02	1.24	5.31
	7	.80	5.63	1.15	5.31	1.11	6.87	1.40	5.31
	13	.53	4.76	.99	5.99	.90	6.40	1.04	6.87
	19	.50	5.31	.90	6.87	.94	8.83	1.01	6.40
MEAN		.63	7.52	.88	8.65	.89	8.63	1.04	8.02
STD		.35	3.39	.47	2.74	.48	2.59	.52	2.66

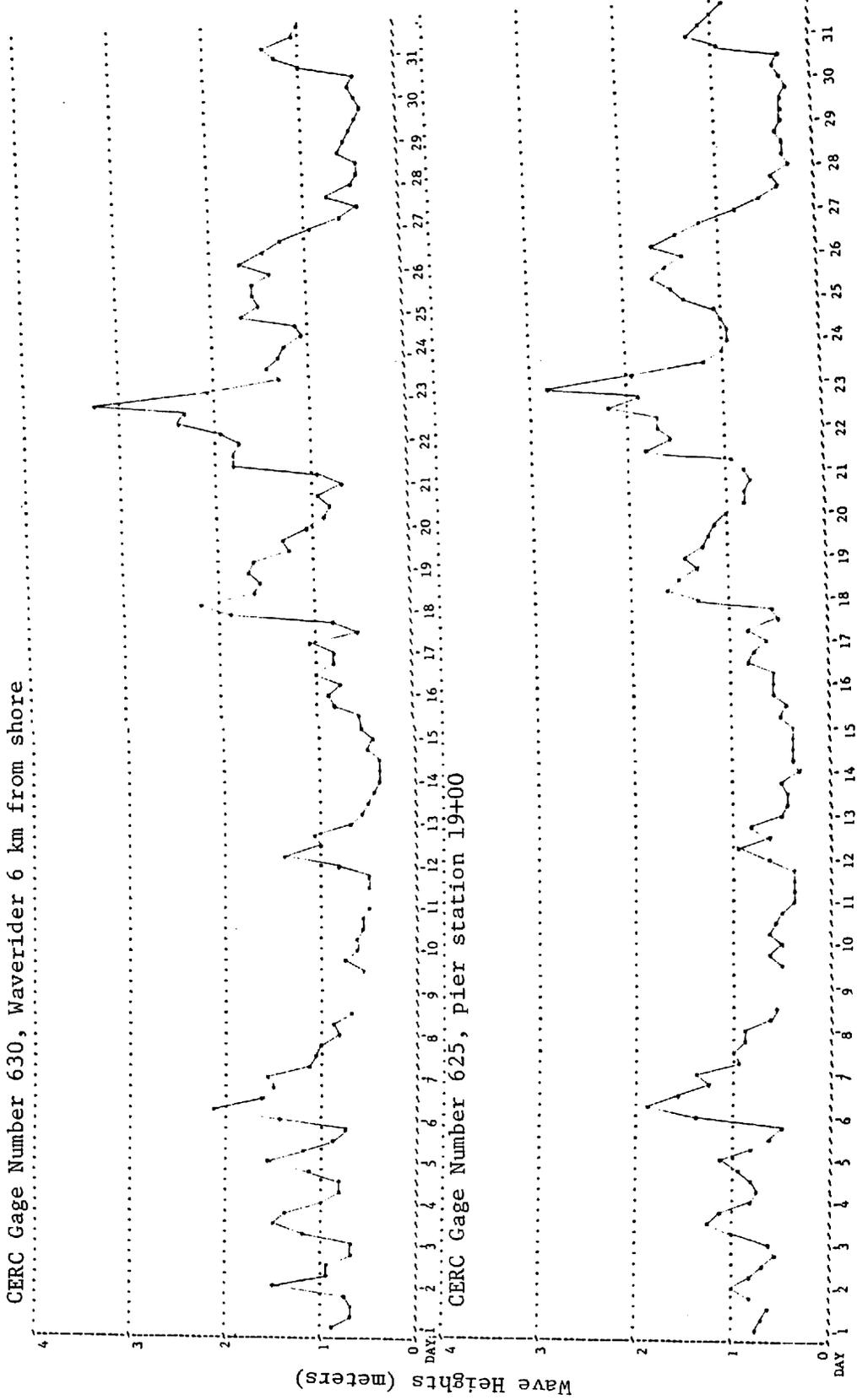
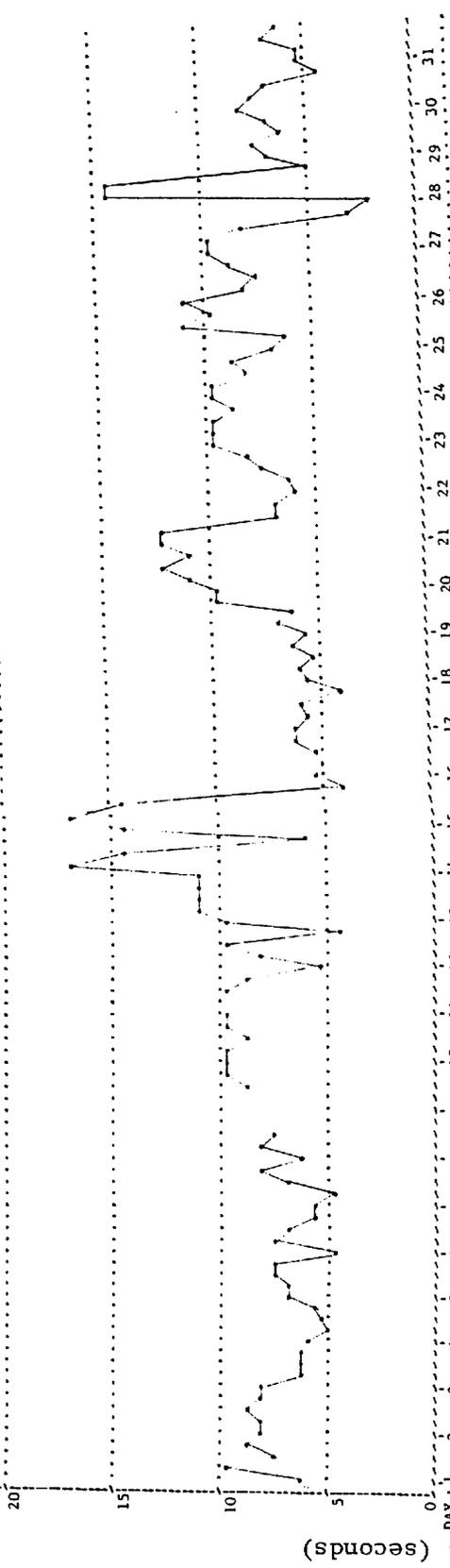


FIGURE 3. Time History of Wave Heights and Periods - March 1985 Part I: Heights

CERC Gage Number 630, Waverider 6 km from shore



CERC Gage Number 625, pier station 19+00

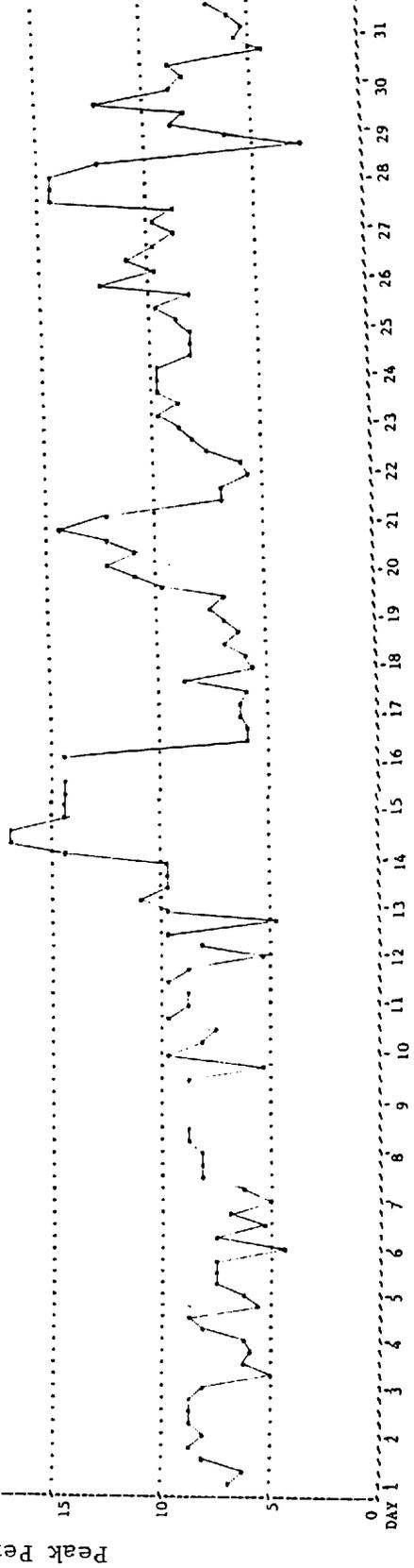


FIGURE 3. Time History of Wave Heights and Periods - March 1985 Part II: Periods

#### IV. CURRENT DATA

Current data (Table 4) are collected from two Marsh-McBirney electromagnetic biaxial current meters (Table 1 and Figure 2) and by visually observing the movement of dye on the water surface in the surf and at the seaward end of the pier, as well as 500 m updrift of the pier 12 m offshore.

Since the shoreline orientation is approximately N20°W, alongshore currents flow either toward 340° (i.e. northward) or toward 160° (i.e. southward). Similarly, cross-shore currents are either onshore (westward) or offshore (eastward).

All current speeds are given in centimeters per second.

TABLE 4: CURRENT DATA  
(SPEEDS IN CM/SEC)

March 1985

DAY	TIME	PIER MEASUREMENTS				BEACH MEASUREMENTS						
		DYE AT 19:00 (579m) (SURFACE)		CURRENT METER AT 14:20 (433m) I.D.#639 (DEPTH -4.2m MSL)		DYE AT MID-SURF ZONE (SURFACE) DIST. FROM BASELINE (M)		DYE 12H OFFSHORE (SURFACE)		CURRENT METER AT SOUTH TRIPOD (DEPTH -4.8m MSL) I.D.#879		
		SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	LOCATION	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR
1	0100			4	S						0	
				0							1	ON
				4							12	250
1	0700	8	S	5	S						12	S
		8	Off	0		165	3	On	North	3	S	0
		11	115	5							12	160
1	1300			7	S						8	S
				2	DN						0	
				7							8	160
1	1900			10	S						12	S
				3	ON						2	OF
				11							12	151
2	0100			3	S						2	S
				3	ON						1	ON
				5							3	186
2	0700	6	N	0							1	S
		12	Off	2	OF	165	17	Off	South	88	N	1
		13	43	2							1	188
2	1300			1	N						10	N
				7	OF						6	OF
				7							11	12
2	1900			8	S						6	S
				0							2	OF
				8							6	146
3	0100			2	S						2	S
				1	OF						2	OF
				2							3	128
3	0700	34	S	13	S						20	S
		12	On	2	ON	177	61	S	North	43	S	2
		36	179	13							21	153
3	1300			15	S						20	S
				4	DN						2	ON
				16							20	166
3	1900			12	S						14	S
				3	ON						2	ON
				12							14	167
4	0100			4	S						13	S
				1	ON						0	
				4							13	160
4	0700	20	S	11	S						17	S
		3	On	1	ON	152	36	N	South	2	N	2
		21	169	11							2	OF
				1	S						17	153
4	1300			1	S						10	S
				1	OF						4	OF
				2							11	138
4	1900			4	N						5	S
				2	OF						5	
				5							5	160
5	0100			9	N						17	N
				3	OF						5	ON
				9							17	323
5	0700	32	N	8	N						20	N
		19	Off	2	OF	151	87	N	South	107	N	5
		37	11	8							21	324
5	1300			7	N						18	N
				1	OF						5	ON
				8							18	325
5	1900			1	S						4	N
				0							2	ON
				1							5	306
6	0100			16	S						25	S
				3	DN						1	OF
				16							25	158
6	0700	68	S	40	S						51	S
		0	0	10	ON	189	122	S	North	135	S	0
		68	160	41							51	160
6	1300			32	S						45	S
				8	ON						1	ON
				33							45	161
6	1900			25	S						35	S
				1	ON						5	OF
				25							35	152

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 OF = OFFSHORE

TABLE 4: CURRENT DATA  
(SPEEDS IN CM/SEC)

DAY	TIME	PIER MEASUREMENTS						BEACH MEASUREMENTS (500 UPDRIFT)					
		DYE AT 19400 (579m)		CURRENT METER AT 14+20(433m) I.D.#639		DYE AT MID-SURF ZONE (SURFACE) DIST. FROM		DYE 12M OFFSHORE (SURFACE)		CURRENT METER AT SOUTH TRIPPOD (DEPTH -4.8m MSL) I.D.#679			
		SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	BASELINE (M)	SPEED	DIR	LOCATION	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR
7	0100-Alongshore			18	S							31	S
	Cross-shore			5	ON							3	OF
	Resultant			18	175							31	155
7	0700-Alongshore	47	S	18	S		61	S	North	23	S	23	S
	Cross-shore	9	On	0		177	15	On				2	OF
	Resultant	58	171	18	160		63	174				23	156
7	1300-Alongshore			12	S							16	S
	Cross-shore			0								4	OF
	Resultant			12	160							17	147
7	1900-Alongshore			10	S							15	S
	Cross-shore			2	ON							4	OF
	Resultant			11	170							15	145
8	0100-Alongshore			9	S							12	S
	Cross-shore			5	ON							5	OF
	Resultant			10	188							13	137
8	0700-Alongshore	0	0	2	N		4	N	North	23	N	3	S
	Cross-shore	12	Off	4	OF	139	6	Off				3	OF
	Resultant	12	70	5	42		7	40				4	118
8	1300-Alongshore			6	N							4	N
	Cross-shore			2	OF							4	ON
	Resultant			6	7							5	292
8	1900-Alongshore												
	Cross-shore												
	Resultant												
9	0100-Alongshore												
	Cross-shore												
	Resultant												
9	0700-Alongshore	36	N				0	0	North	6	N		
	Cross-shore	9	On			139	0	0					
	Resultant	37	326				0	0					
9	1300-Alongshore			0								2	N
	Cross-shore			1	OF							0	
	Resultant			1	70							2	340
9	1900-Alongshore			15	N							19	N
	Cross-shore			3	OF							1	OF
	Resultant			15	352							19	344
10	0100-Alongshore			1	S							1	ON
	Cross-shore			0								2	168
	Resultant			1	160							4	N
10	0700-Alongshore	3	S	1	N		0	0	North	20	N	4	N
	Cross-shore	1	On	0		140	1	Off				0	
	Resultant	3	177	1	340		1	70				4	340
10	1300-Alongshore			9	S							9	S
	Cross-shore			2	OF							6	OF
	Resultant			10	150							11	127
10	1900-Alongshore			3	N							11	N
	Cross-shore			1	OF							4	ON
	Resultant			4	356							11	317
11	0100-Alongshore			4	S							8	S
	Cross-shore			0								2	OF
	Resultant			4	160							8	148
11	0700-Alongshore	11	S	3	S		32	S	North	21	N	4	S
	Cross-shore	5	On	2	ON	140	3	On				0	
	Resultant	12	184	3	186		32	166				4	160
11	1300-Alongshore			6	S							15	S
	Cross-shore			1	OF							3	OF
	Resultant			6	153							15	150
11	1900-Alongshore			0								5	S
	Cross-shore			0								0	
	Resultant			0	0							5	160
12	0100-Alongshore			1	S							6	S
	Cross-shore			1	ON							3	ON
	Resultant			1	207							7	190
12	0700-Alongshore	44	N	16	N		87	N	South	90	N	19	N
	Cross-shore	13	Off	6	OF	162	78	Off				2	ON
	Resultant	45	357	17	1		117	22				19	335
12	1300-Alongshore			4	N							7	N
	Cross-shore			0								5	ON
	Resultant			4	340							8	305
12	1900-Alongshore			8	S							10	S
	Cross-shore			4	ON							6	ON
	Resultant			9	189							12	189

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(SPEEDS IN CM/SEC)

DAY	TIME	FIELD MEASUREMENTS						BEACH MEASUREMENTS (500 YD DRIFT)				
		DYE AT 19400 (579m)		CURRENT METER AT 14+20 (433m) I.D. #639 (DEPTH -4.2m MSL)		DYE AT MID-SURF ZONE (SURFACE) DIST. FROM		DYE 12M OFFSHORE (SURFACE)		CURRENT METER AT SOUTH TRIPOD (DEPTH -4.8m MSL) I.D. #679		
		SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	
13	0100			7	S					8	S	
				3	ON					1	ON	
				7	183					8	164	
13	0700	18	S	3	S	157	0 0	North	14	N	9	S
		8	Off	2	ON		21	Off			2	ON
		20	136	3	189		21	84			9	173
13	1300			5	S					7	S	
				3	OF					8	OF	
				6	128					10	112	
13	1900			7	N					4	N	
				2	OF					0		
				7	360					4	340	
14	0100			6	N					6	N	
				2	OF					2	ON	
				7	358					6	322	
14	0700	2	S	3	N		7 S		6	S	7	N
		3	On	1	OF	152	0 0	North			2	ON
		3	223	3	351		7	160			8	321
14	1300			3	S					2	S	
				3	OF					1	ON	
				4	123					3	187	
14	1900			6	S					9	S	
				1	ON					1	ON	
				6	173					9	164	
15	0100			0						2	S	
				0						4	ON	
				0	0					5	226	
15	0700	29	S	9	S		41 S		13	S	13	S
		1	Off	2	ON	152	2	Off	North		2	OF
		29	157	9	174		41	157			14	153
15	1300			17	S					30	S	
				2	OF					4	OF	
				17	153					30	152	
15	1900			10	S					22	S	
				3	ON					8	OF	
				10	175					23	141	
16	0100			0						10	S	
				3	ON					4	ON	
				3	250					11	182	
16	0700	27	S	7	S		51 S		67	S	16	S
		7	On	0		152	3	On	North		1	OF
		27	174	7	160		51	163			16	155
16	1300			6	S					13	S	
				2	ON					1	OF	
				7	181					13	155	
16	1900			2	S					18	S	
				0						1	OF	
				3	160					16	155	
17	0100			10	N					10	N	
				1	OF					1	OF	
				10	347					10	346	
17	0700	23	S	1	N		34 N		62	N	11	N
		5	Off	1	ON	165	12	Off	South		2	OF
		23	150	1	304		39	11			12	349
17	1300			7	S					10	S	
				1	OF					2	OF	
				7	149					10	148	
17	1900			12	S					18	S	
				0						5	OF	
				12	160					19	145	
18	0100			19	S					31	S	
				6	ON					1	ON	
				20	177					31	162	
18	0700	68	S	31	S		102 S		57	S	44	S
		0	0	11	ON	163	0 0	North			1	ON
		68	160	33	179		102	160			44	161
18	1300			25	S					38	S	
				8	ON					3	ON	
				27	170					38	165	
18	1900			25	S					33	S	
				9	ON					0		
				27	180					33	160	

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(SPEEDS IN CM/SEC)

DAY:	TIME	PIER MEASUREMENTS						BEACH MEASUREMENTS (500 UPDRIFT)			
		DYE AT 19+00 (579m)		CURRENT METER AT 14+20 (433m) I.D. #639 (DEPTH -4.2m MSL)		DYE AT MID-SURF ZONE (SURFACE) (DIST. FROM BASELINE (M))		DYE 12M OFFSHORE (SURFACE)		CURRENT METER AT SOUTH TRIPOD (DEPTH -4.8m MSL) I.D. #679	
		SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR
19	0100			13	S					24	S
				5	ON					1	ON
				14	180					24	182
19	0700	18	S	13	S	15	S	50	S	18	S
		6	Off	7	ON	213	13	On	North	0	
		129	151	15	186		20	202		18	160
19	1300			6	S					23	S
				3	ON					2	ON
				7	188					23	164
19	1900			2	S					15	S
				3	ON					2	ON
				4	212					15	168
20	0100			0						13	N
				0						7	ON
				0	0					15	102
20	0700	14	N	8	N	8	N	9	N	13	N
		26	Off	0		152	16	Off	North	5	ON
		130	43	9	340		18	43		14	319
20	1300			12	N					17	N
				10	OF					3	ON
				15	20					17	331
20	1900			13	N					23	N
				4	OF					2	ON
				13	360					23	335
21	0100			11	N					13	N
				9	OF					4	ON
				14	18					13	322
21	0700	16	S	5	S	87	S	50	S	5	S
		19	On	1	OF	165	0	0	North	0	
		22	210	5	151		87	160		5	160
21	1300			25	S					28	S
				4	ON					2	OF
				25	169					28	156
21	1900			16	S					21	S
				3	ON					1	OF
				16	170					21	156
22	0100			17	S					24	S
				0						2	OF
				17	160					24	155
22	0700	36	S	18	S	51	S	36	N	22	S
		18	On	4	ON	165	5	On	North	3	OF
		40	187	18	172		51	166		22	153
22	1300			18	N					15	S
				16	OF					4	OF
				24	22					15	145
22	1900			12	N					0	
				10	OF					6	OF
				16	22					6	20
23	0100			57	N					19	N
				39	OF					11	OF
				59	15					22	10
23	0700	12	S	13	N	87	N	59	N	12	S
		3	On	13	OF	177	44	On	South	11	OF
		12	174	12	26		97	211		16	118
23	1300			3	S					15	S
				3	ON					1	ON
				4	209					15	163
23	1900			11	S					21	S
				2	OF					5	OF
				11	151					21	147
24	0100			19	S					29	S
				5	ON					1	OF
				20	174					22	159
24	0700	30	S	12	S	47	S	43	S	15	S
		3	Off	1	OF	152	12	Off	North	5	OF
		31	154	12	157		48	146		16	143
24	1300			8	S					15	S
				2	ON					3	OF
				7	183					16	142
24	1900			8	S					11	S
				4	ON					0	
				9	187					11	160

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		PICK MEASUREMENTS					BEACH MEASUREMENTS (500' UPDRIFT)				
		DYE AT 19+00 (579m)		CURRENT METER AT 14+20(433m) I.D.#639 (SURFACE) (DEPTH -4.2m MSL)		DYE AT MID-SURF ZONE (SURFACE) DIST. FROM		DYE 12M OFFSHORE (SURFACE)		CURRENT METER AT SOUTH TRIP OD (DEPTH -4.8m MSL) I.D.#679	
DAY	TIME	SPEED	DIR	SPEED	DIR	BASELINE (M)	SPEED	DIR	LOCATION	SPEED	DIR
25	0100-Alongshore			16	S					21	S
	Cross-shore			4	DN					1	OF
	Resultant			17	175					21	154
25	0700-Alongshore	44	S	18	S		68	S	30	15	S
	Cross-shore	7	On	4	ON	178	10	On	North	2	ON
	Resultant	44	169	19	173		68	169		15	167
25	1300-Alongshore			19	S					32	S
	Cross-shore			5	ON					0	
	Resultant			19	175					32	160
25	1900-Alongshore			19	S					27	S
	Cross-shore			9	ON					2	ON
	Resultant			21	186					27	164
26	0100-Alongshore			11	S					1	OF
	Cross-shore			4	ON					21	158
	Resultant			12	190					22	S
26	0700-Alongshore	44	S	16	S		34	S	26	22	S
	Cross-shore	2	On	5	ON	189	3	On	North	2	OF
	Resultant	44	157	17	177		34	169		22	155
26	1300-Alongshore			12	S					20	S
	Cross-shore			3	ON					3	ON
	Resultant			13	176					20	167
26	1900-Alongshore			2	S					8	S
	Cross-shore			5	DN					1	ON
	Resultant			5	226					8	164
27	0100-Alongshore			0						3	N
	Cross-shore			2	ON					3	DN
	Resultant			2	250					4	303
27	0700-Alongshore	44	N	9	N		29	N	20	15	N
	Cross-shore	26	Off	2	OF	149	13	Off	South	2	ON
	Resultant	51	11	9	352		32	4		16	331
27	1300-Alongshore			6	N					11	N
	Cross-shore			0						4	ON
	Resultant			6	340					12	321
27	1900-Alongshore			10	N					15	N
	Cross-shore			2	OF					2	ON
	Resultant			10	352					15	333
28	0100-Alongshore			5	N					6	N
	Cross-shore			0						9	ON
	Resultant			5	340					9	297
28	0700-Alongshore	0	0	1	N		12	N	5	3	N
	Cross-shore	20	Off	0		139	13	Off	South	4	ON
	Resultant	20	88	1	340		18	26		5	288
28	1300-Alongshore			0						2	N
	Cross-shore			0						2	ON
	Resultant			1	0					3	296
28	1900-Alongshore			7	N					13	N
	Cross-shore			2	OF					0	
	Resultant			7	354					13	340
29	0100-Alongshore			10	N					11	N
	Cross-shore			1	OF					0	
	Resultant			10	348					11	340
29	0700-Alongshore	13	N	5	N		24	N	18	8	N
	Cross-shore	11	Off	0		140	7	Off	South	4	ON
	Resultant	17	19	5	340		25	357		9	314
29	1300-Alongshore			0						2	ON
	Cross-shore			1	ON					3	293
	Resultant			1	250					6	S
29	1900-Alongshore			5	S					3	OF
	Cross-shore			1	ON					7	132
	Resultant			5	171					9	S
30	0100-Alongshore			8	S					4	OF
	Cross-shore			1	ON					10	139
	Resultant			8	165					1	S
30	0700-Alongshore	5	N	1	N		47	N	4	1	S
	Cross-shore	12	On	0		140	12	Off	South	4	ON
	Resultant	12	272	1	340		48	354		4	238
30	1300-Alongshore			2	S					5	S
	Cross-shore			4	ON					4	ON
	Resultant			5	226					6	197
30	1900-Alongshore			10	S					19	S
	Cross-shore			2	ON					0	OF
	Resultant			10	173					19	155
31	0100-Alongshore			16	S					19	OF
	Cross-shore			4	ON					2	OF
	Resultant			16	174					19	154
31	0700-Alongshore	51	S	20	S		87	S	18	34	S
	Cross-shore	3	On	3	ON	165	0	0	North	3	OF
	Resultant	51	162	20	168		87	160		34	154
31	1300-Alongshore			13	S					17	S
	Cross-shore			5	ON					0	
	Resultant			13	180					17	160
31	1900-Alongshore			4	S					18	S
	Cross-shore			4	ON					6	OF
	Resultant			5	209					19	142

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OF = OFFSHORE

## V. SUPPLEMENTAL OBSERVATIONS

Visual wave direction measurements (Table 5) taken at the seaward end of the pier are made of both the primary wave train (i.e. that having the larger wave heights) and the secondary wave train (which must be clearly distinguishable as a wave train separate from the primary waves) but not surface chop or capillary waves. The direction of the primary wave train just north of the seaward end of the pier is also determined using a Raytheon Marine Pathfinder radar and measuring alignment of the wave crests. The pier axis (considered perpendicular to the beach at the FRF) is oriented  $70^\circ$  east of true north; consequently, wave angles greater than  $70^\circ$  imply the waves were coming from the south side of the pier.

The width of the surf zone (seawardmost breaker position to shoreline) is determined from the pier deck.

Measurements of surface water temperature, density, and visibility are made daily at the seaward end of the FRF pier. A jar along with a thermometer is lowered about .3 m (1 ft) into the water and allowed to remain for at least one minute. The jar is removed, the temperature read and a hydrometer is used to determine the density. A secci disc is used to determine the surface visibility.

TABLE 5  
SUPPLEMENTAL OBSERVATIONS  
 March 1985

DAY/TIME	WAVE APPROACH ANGLE AT PIER END (° from True N)		RADAR WAVE ANGLE (° from True N)	WIDTH OF SURF ZONE (M)	WATER CHARACTERISTICS AT PIER END		
	PRIMARY	SECONDARY			TEMP (°C)	DENSITY (g/cc)	SECCI VIS (M)
1	0845	60	80	67	6.5	1.0228	2.4
2	0940	130		102	6.5	1.0250	3.7
3	0900	50	60	134	7.6	1.0232	2.4
4	0800	100		66	7.2	1.0241	2.1
5	0830	120		75	7.2	1.0258	1.8
6	0815	40	30	165	6.0	1.0266	1.2
7	1000	60	60	117	6.5	1.0254	4.6
8	0845	130	45	38	7.0	1.0233	4.0
9	0930	130		23	7.5	1.0232	4.3
10	1000	90	40	32	8.2	1.0227	5.2
11	0830	110		23	8.5	1.0231	4.9
12	0845	110		55	7.5	1.0252	3.0
13	0830	60		78	7.1	1.0272	5.8
14	1000	130		34	8.0	1.0266	5.8
15	0830	80	30	40	8.8	1.0262	4.9
16	0850	70	50	49	9.0	1.0224	4.6
17	1100	110		76	9.3	1.0232	4.0
18	0800	40	60	128	8.5	1.0222	1.8
19	0930	60	70	174	8.0	1.0219	3.0
20	0830	100	30	91	8.0	1.0252	2.4
21	0830	25		136	8.0	1.0247	1.8
22	0820	70	80	162	8.0	1.0252	0.9
23	0810	70		183	8.1	1.0242	0.6
24	0915	60		110	7.8	1.0244	1.5
25	0745	55	60	174	8.0	1.0235	2.1
26	0830	50		229	7.5	1.0232	1.2
27	0830	50		56	7.5	1.0260	1.2
28	0830	140		18	8.0	1.0266	2.1
29	0830	140		20	8.5	1.0267	3.7
30	0800	80		9	9.7	1.0264	3.7
31	0930	50		133	11.0	1.0236	3.0

## VI. WATER LEVELS

The National Ocean Services (NOS) has established a primary tide station (No. 865-1370) at the seaward end of the FRF pier. A Leupold-Stevens digital recording float-type tide gage is used to collect data every 6 minutes throughout the month.

Figure 4 shows the range of each cycle while Figure 5 shows the variation in mean water levels computed over a tidal cycle period (12.42 hours), and contains a list of selected mean and extreme values. This presentation is useful in identifying effects of both meteorological and astronomical forces on the open coast water levels.

Table 6 contains the time of the center of each sampling interval and the range, high, low, and mean water levels during each tidal cycle.

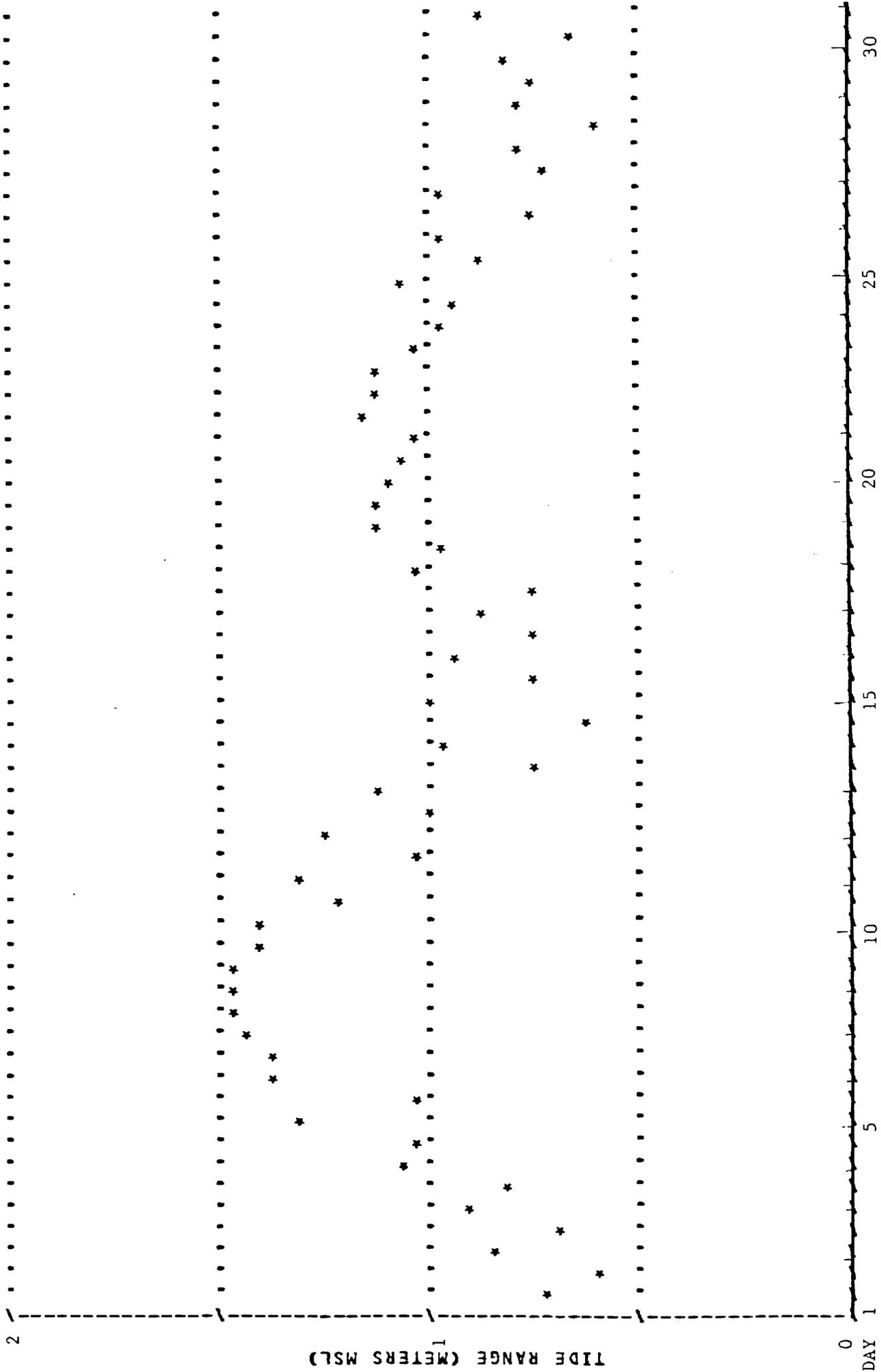


FIGURE 4. Time History of Tide Range, March 1985 (Gage No. 865-1370)

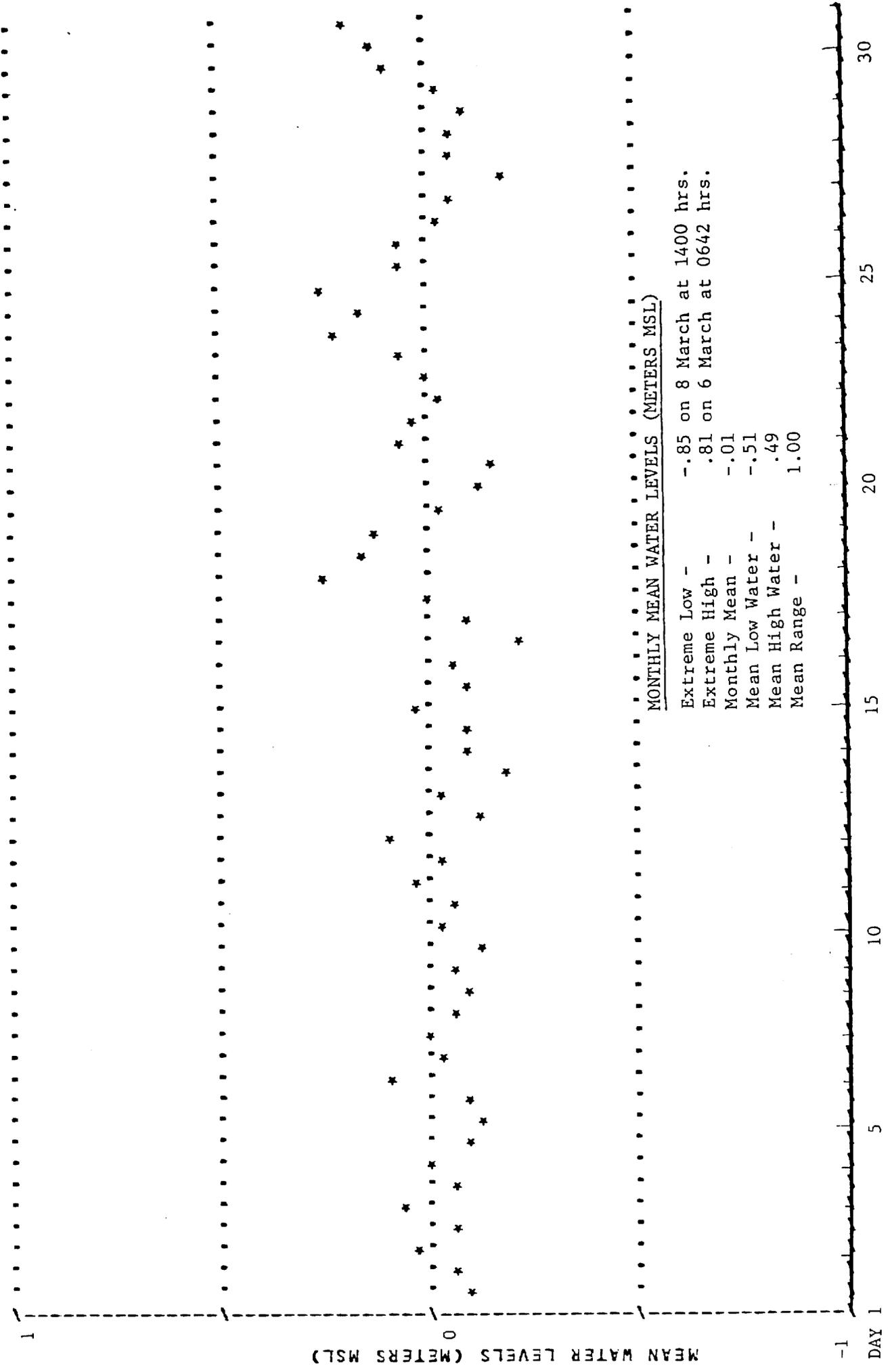


FIGURE 5. Time History of Mean Water Levels, March 1985 (Gage No. 865-1370)

MID-CYCLE DAY	TIME	LOW	HIGH	MEAN	RANGE
1	612	-.45	.28	-.10	.73
1	1837	-.32	.28	-.05	.61
2	702	-.37	.48	.03	.84
2	1928	-.41	.27	-.06	.68
3	753	-.37	.53	.08	.90
3	2018	-.50	.31	-.06	.82
4	843	-.54	.53	.00	1.07
4	2108	-.62	.40	-.08	1.02
5	934	-.75	.57	-.12	1.32
5	2159	-.65	.39	-.10	1.04
6	1024	-.58	.81	.10	1.38
6	2249	-.75	.64	-.03	1.39
7	1114	-.75	.70	-.01	1.45
7	2340	-.78	.68	-.05	1.46
8	1205	-.85	.62	-.10	1.47
9	30	-.80	.68	-.06	1.48
9	1255	-.84	.57	-.12	1.41
10	120	-.73	.69	-.03	1.42
10	1346	-.66	.55	-.05	1.21
11	211	-.60	.70	.05	1.30
11	1436	-.56	.48	-.04	1.05
12	301	-.50	.76	.09	1.26
12	1526	-.66	.32	-.14	.98
13	352	-.59	.54	-.02	1.13
13	1617	-.57	.17	-.20	.75
14	442	-.60	.37	-.10	.98
14	1707	-.43	.20	-.10	.62
15	532	-.48	.52	.04	.99
15	1758	-.46	.29	-.08	.75
16	623	-.55	.38	-.05	.93
16	1848	-.59	.15	-.21	.75
17	713	-.55	.31	-.10	.87
17	1938	-.39	.37	.01	.76
18	804	-.28	.75	.24	1.03
18	2029	-.32	.65	.15	.97
19	854	-.44	.67	.12	1.11
19	2119	-.62	.52	-.04	1.14
20	944	-.67	.43	-.12	1.09
20	2210	-.72	.34	-.17	1.07
21	1035	-.46	.56	.05	1.02
21	2300	-.55	.60	.03	1.15
22	1125	-.62	.52	-.04	1.14
22	2350	-.58	.55	.01	1.12
23	1216	-.48	.55	.05	1.03
24	41	-.28	.70	.21	.98
24	1306	-.34	.59	.15	.94
25	131	-.27	.79	.24	1.05
25	1356	-.39	.48	.06	.87
26	222	-.37	.59	.07	.95
26	1447	-.42	.33	-.03	.75
27	312	-.50	.45	-.07	.95
27	1537	-.51	.22	-.17	.73
28	402	-.38	.39	-.05	.78
28	1628	-.37	.23	-.07	.60
29	453	-.44	.34	-.09	.78
29	1718	-.27	.46	-.03	.74
30	543	-.28	.55	.08	.83
30	1808	-.14	.52	.14	.66
31	634	-.23	.65	.19	.89

TABLE 6  
WATER LEVELS (METERS MSL)  
Tidal Characteristics  
March 1985

## VII. NEARSHORE PROFILES

A. Nearshore Profiles. In order to document profile response away from the pier, surveys of four profile lines extending 900 to 1,000 m from shore and located 489 and 581 m north and 517 and 608 m south of the FRF pier are conducted bi-weekly, after storms, and during more complete bathymetric surveys.

These profiles are obtained using the CRAB-Zeiss surveying system; a Zeiss Elta-2 first-order, self-recording electronic theodolite distance meter in combination with the Coastal Research Amphibious Buggy (CRAB), a 10.7 m high, self-powered, mobile tripod on wheels.

Figure 6 shows the last survey in February and the three surveys conducted in March on profile line 188, located 517 m south of the pier. The last survey in February shows only a rudimentary nearshore bar (110 m) and small storm bar (220 to 360 m). The surveys through mid-March showed the removal of the nearshore bar and a 40 m shoreward migration of the storm bar, with only minor changes to the foreshore (80 to 140 m). The last survey in March, which followed a storm on 22-23 March, shows a distinct nearshore bar and trough (110 to 200 m) and minor erosion of the storm bar. Up to .20 m of accretion occurred on the foreshore above MSL (80 to 110 m) while up to 1.0 m of erosion in the nearshore below MSL (120 to 160 m) resulted in a nearshore trough.

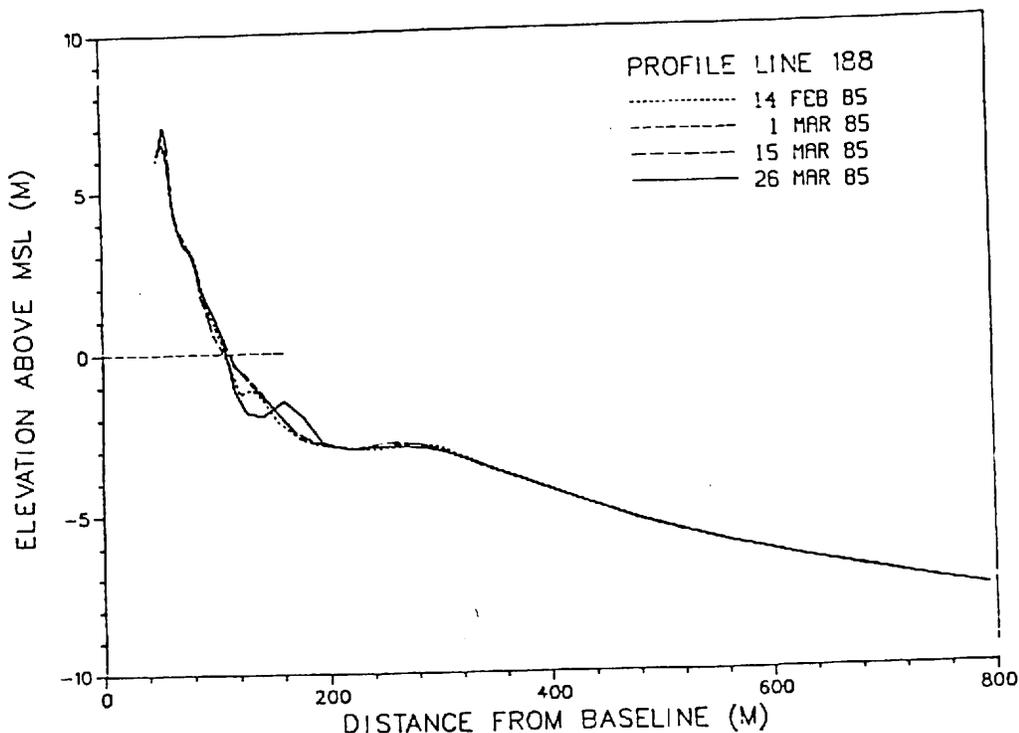


Figure 6. Monthly CRAB profiles on profile 188 - 517 meters south of pier.

The profile envelope (Figure 7) reflects the maximum changes on the profile between January and March. Changes to the envelope during this month include a small amount of erosion on the beach face (80 to 120 m) early in March and the erosion creating the nearshore trough late in the month. The only change to the maximum profile (160 m) is a result of the nearshore bar formation late in March.

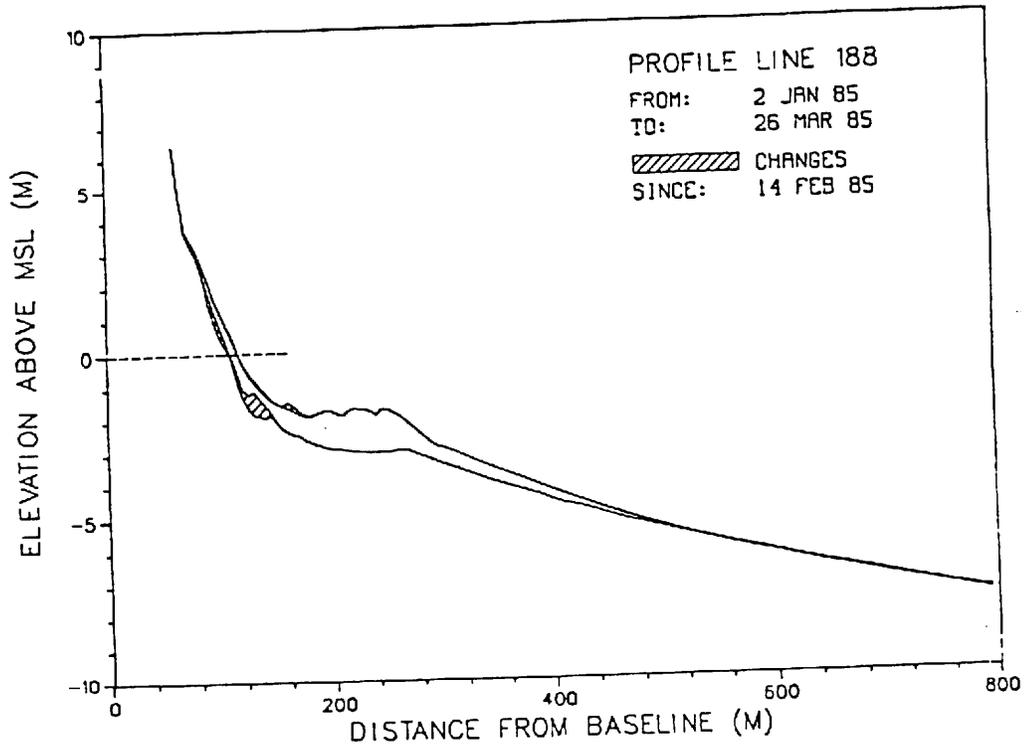


Figure 7. CRAB profile envelope - profile 188.

B. Bathymetry. No bathymetric survey was conducted in March. Figure 8 is included for reference.

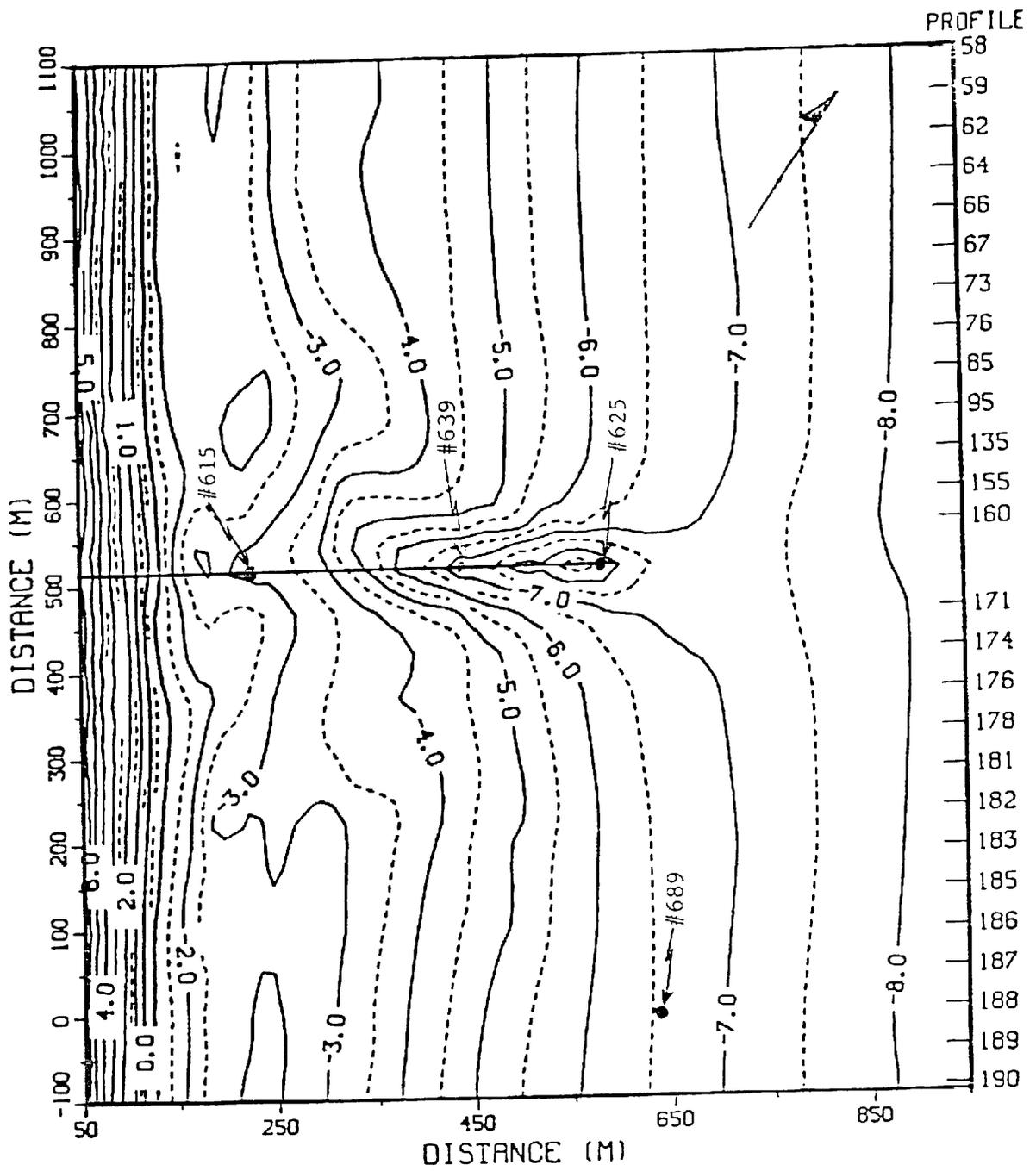


FIGURE 8. FRF BATHYMETRY 14 FEB 85  
 CONTOURS IN METERS

## VIII. SPECIAL EVENTS

A. Storm Data Collection. The following list identifies times when the wave height at the seaward end of the pier (i.e. as measured by the Baylor gage #625 at pier station 19+00) exceeded 2 m and wave records were obtained every hour:

<u>Start</u>	<u>End</u>
6 Mar (0400)	6 Mar (0500)
22 Mar (1300)	23 Mar (0600)

B. Storm Synopsis (22-23 March 1985). A low pressure system originating over the Pacific Ocean was located east of northern Florida by 22 March. The storm moved rapidly up the east coast, passing the FRF on the 23rd before proceeding into the Atlantic. Early on 23 March, the barometric pressure dropped to 1007 mb, winds (SE) exceeded 8 m/s, and the wave height, H<sub>m0</sub> (at Baylor gage #625), was 2.82 m. Total precipitation during the storm was 30 mm.

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